

Application No.: 09/497,051
Response to Office Action of July 21, 2004

(PATENT)

REMARKS/ARGUMENT

Claims 1-7 are pending.

Claims 5 and 6 are canceled.

In the initial response to the July 21, 2004 Office Action, the rejection of claims 1, 2 and 4-7 was addressed by amending Claims 1 and 7 in accordance with the wording suggested in the Office Action. In this supplemental amendment, Claims 5 and 6 are canceled without prejudice to pursue the claims in a further patent application.

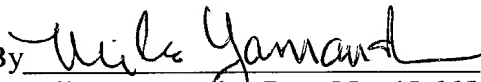
Applicant submits that the present application is in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is therefore respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees required for this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0337. If an extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefore and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 50-0337. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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